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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: IRANIAN ELECTION, SCO PAULO JUNE 25, 2009

Media Reaction: Iranian post election developments
Sao Paulo
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Title- Ayatollah regime goes through its greatest impasse

Editorial in business oriented Valor Economico (6-25) states:
"....the chance of popular protests [in Iran] prospering and meeting their goals depends on a division among high-ranking officials of the government, in a dispute where religion actually gives room to the temporal power and clerics confront clerics. There are increasing signs that this is happening.....The election fraud created a crisis in the center of the Islamic regime and it will have to accommodate itself with a deal between factions - the more likely outcome - or by bloody repression, whose first signs appeared after the dreadful result at the ballot box."
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